

WEST VOLUSIA YOUTH BASEBALL  
CODE OF CONDUCT

Baseball is an exciting game. Disputes will arise and tempers may flare. Managers, Coaches, Spectators and Parents set the example that will be reflected by the players and others. As adults guiding and setting an example for young people, make it a good example. Violent displays of temper and profanity will not only give the program a bad name, but may cost the League by loss of fans and financial support in future years.

**OVERVIEW**

This Code Of Conduct is designed to ensure a safe healthy atmosphere for all. In order to protect the children of our communities interests and to ensure that there will be facilities available for their use, we have developed what we hope is a fair, firm, and consistent set of standards. Although each facility that West Volusia Youth Baseball utilizes may have their own set of standards, the entire league will adhere to the following consequences for misconduct. Those mis-behaviors may require notification to the proper authorities. If there is a penal code infraction, immediate and swift action will be taken to notify the proper law enforcement agencies.

**CONSEQUENCES**

West Volusia Youth Baseball, through its Board of Directors and its designated Adult Field Directors, shall reserve the right to withdraw and/or remove any team, player, parent, manager, coach, volunteer or fan whose conduct on or off the playing field reflects in a manner that is detrimental to the best interest of West Volusia Youth Baseball.

Recognizing the difficulty of establishing specific penalties for a variety of violations of acceptable conduct, the following penalties have been suggested. League Officers may impose the *one*, which, in their opinion, appears to match the severity of the offense.

**WARNING:** Will be considered to have been given by the receipt of this Code Of Conduct policy.

**SUSPENSION:** The offending person is to be advised verbally and followed up in writing that he/she has been suspended from all League activity for a specific number of games or days.

**DISMISSAL:** The offending person is to be advised in writing that he/she has been dismissed from the League for the remainder of the current year.

**BARRED:** The offending person is to be advised in writing that he/she has been barred from present and future participation in the League, permanently or for an indefinite period of time to be determined by the Board.

**FORFEITURE:** If a situation arises with a manager, coach, spectator, parent or player that is deemed necessary to be diffused by the present Field Director, the Field Director will have the authority to request that the game be stopped. The West Volusia Youth Baseball Board will review the matter and decide the outcome of the game.

The entire League will play the game of baseball as described in The Official Rules and Regulations Book printed for Dixie Youth Baseball, Inc., and amended by the current In-house Bylaws set forth by West Volusia Youth Baseball f/k/a West Volusia Pony Baseball, Inc.

The following are but some of the rules to abide by when visiting any of the facilities utilized by West Volusia Youth Baseball, as well as any posted rules unique to that facility:

1. **Deposit trash** in appropriate containers.
2. The use of obscene, abusive or discriminatory language **will not be tolerated**.
3. **Observe** all posted traffic signs. (speed and parking)
4. Those children not participating in League activity **must be supervised** at all times.
5. **Respect** property. (remember, we are guests)
6. **Do not** throw, hit, or cause balls to strike facility buildings or fences not designed for such use.
7. Use rest room **facilities** provided.
8. The use of tobacco, or alcohol, will not be tolerated in designated non-smoking areas **while on facility premises** utilized by West Volusia Youth Baseball.

By signing below, you agree to abide by the Code **Of** Conduct, and accept the consequences of misbehavior.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Child

Parent